

# PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Confero and in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 28 May 2024

**Chair:**

Councillor Richard Nelson

**Councillors Present:**

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Ralph Barker, Councillor Archie Buchanan, Councillor Ross Clark, Councillor Gerry Convery (Depute), Councillor Margaret Cowie, Councillor Maureen Devlin, Councillor Colin Dewar, Councillor Mary Donnelly, Councillor Celine Handibode, Councillor Graeme Horne, Councillor Lesley McDonald, Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Norman Rae, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor David Shearer, Councillor Helen Toner, Councillor David Watson

**Councillors' Apologies:**

Councillor Joe Fagan (ex officio), Councillor Elise Frame, Councillor Alistair Fulton, Councillor Ross Lambie, Councillor Martin Lennon, Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor John Ross

**Attending:**

**Community and Enterprise Resources**

F Carlin, Head of Planning and Regulatory Services; B Darroch, Planning and Building Standards Manager (East); T Finn, Planning and Building Standards Manager (Headquarters); F Jack, Team Leader, Development Management Team, Roads, Transportation and Fleet Services

**Finance and Corporate Resources**

S Jessup, Administration Assistant; S McLeod, Administration Officer

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## 1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

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## 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 30 April 2024 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

**The Committee decided:** that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

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## 3 South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2024 and Local Development Plan 3 Update

A report dated 20 May 2024 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted:-

- ◆ requesting approval of the South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2024, attached as Appendix 1 to the report
- ◆ providing an update on progress made in the preparation of the South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 3 (SLLDP3)

The Development Plan Scheme (DPS), which was required to be published annually, set out South Lanarkshire Council's timetable for the preparation of its local development plan and included:-

- ◆ an explanation of what the local development plan was
- ◆ a timetable for the preparation of SLLDP3
- ◆ details of community engagement in the planning process and how relevant stakeholders, including residents, could get involved

In line with updated national guidance and legislation, the South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 3 would be place-based and presented as a series of maps, site briefs and masterplans for individual sites and localities. The Plan would be a corporate document and a vehicle for the delivery of outcomes by drawing on the Council's strategies and plans, including the objectives of the Council Plan, Connect 2022 to 2027, as well of those of its partners and other stakeholders, including the South Lanarkshire Community Planning Partnership's Community Plan 2022 to 2032.

SLLDP3 would include a Delivery Programme detailing how the Council would implement the Plan and the associated timescales.

The Council was required to engage with key agencies whilst preparing the Plan including NatureScot, SEPA, Scottish Water, Scottish Enterprise, NHS Lanarkshire and the Regional Transport Partnership. It was also required to engage with a range of groups including children and young people, disabled persons, Gypsies and Travellers and Community Councils. The Participation Statement in the DPS had been developed to reflect those requirements and detailed the work on engagement that would be undertaken over the next 6 months.

The DPS also included an updated timetable in relation to the following stages over the next 12 months, details of which were included in the report:-

- ◆ drafting of the evidence report
- ◆ early engagement
- ◆ gate check

There followed a discussion during which an officer responded to members' questions on aspects of the report.

**The Committee decided:**

- (1) that the South Lanarkshire Development Plan Scheme 2024, attached as Appendix 1 to the report, be approved and published on the Council's website; and
- (2) that the update on progress made in the preparation of the South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 3 (SLLDP3) be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 8 August 2023 (Paragraph 3)]*

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#### **4 Application P/23/1372 for Demolition of Double Garage (Conservation Area Consent) at Vacant Land at Ladyacre Road, Lanark**

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A report dated 20 May 2024 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application P/23/1372 by West of Scotland Housing Association and Zoom Developments Limited for the demolition of a double garage (conservation area consent) at vacant land at Ladyacre Road, Lanark.

There followed a discussion on the application during which officers responded to members' questions on aspects of the report. Councillor Nelson, seconded by Councillor Convery, moved that the application be refused for the reason detailed in the Executive Director's report. Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor McDonald, moved that the application be deferred to a future meeting of the Planning Committee to allow negotiations to continue with the applicant.

On a vote being taken using the electronic voting system, 8 members voted for the amendment and 11 for the motion which was declared carried.

**The Committee decided:** that planning application P/23/1372 by West of Scotland Housing Association and Zoom Developments Limited for the demolition of a double garage (conservation area consent) at vacant land at Ladyacre Road, Lanark be refused for the reason detailed in the Executive Director's report.

*Councillor Ross joined the meeting during consideration of the above item of business and was, therefore, unable to participate in the vote*

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## **5 Application P/23/1373 for Demolition of Detached Double Garage and Erection of 39 Flats with Car Parking, Cycle Storage, Landscaping and Associated Facilities at Vacant Land at Ladyacre Road, Lanark**

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A report dated 20 May 2024 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application P/23/1373 by West of Scotland Housing Association and Zoom Developments Limited for the demolition of a detached double garage and erection of 39 flats with car parking, cycle storage, landscaping and associated facilities at vacant land at Ladyacre Road, Lanark.

**The Committee decided:** that planning application P/23/1373 by West of Scotland Housing Association and Zoom Developments Limited for the demolition of a detached double garage and erection of 39 flats with car parking, cycle storage, landscaping and associated facilities at vacant land at Ladyacre Road, Lanark be refused for the reasons detailed in the Executive Director's report.

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## **6 Application P/23/1543 for Demolition and Rebuild of 2-Storey House at 9 Sunningdale Wynd, Bothwell**

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A report dated 20 May 2024 by the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources) was submitted on planning application P/23/1543 by A Waseem for the demolition and rebuild of a 2-storey house at 9 Sunningdale Wynd, Bothwell.

At its meeting on 12 March 2024, the Committee deferred the application to a future meeting to allow further information to be provided regarding construction arrangements, in terms of public safety on Sunningdale Wynd.

Following discussion, during which an officer responded to members' questions on various aspects of the report, Councillor Nelson, seconded by Councillor Convery, moved that the application be granted subject to the conditions specified in the Executive Director's report. Councillor Devlin, seconded by Councillor Donnelly, moved as an amendment that the application be deferred to allow a site visit to be carried out. On a vote being taken using the electronic voting system, 7 members voted for the motion, 1 member abstained and 12 members voted for the amendment which was declared carried.

**The Committee decided:**

that planning application P/23/1543 by A Waseem for the demolition and rebuild of a 2-storey house at 9 Sunningdale Wynd, Bothwell be deferred to a future meeting of the Planning Committee to allow a site visit to be carried out.

*[Reference: Minutes of 12 March 2024 (Paragraph 12)]*

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**7 Urgent Business**

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There were no items of urgent business.